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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
 c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 19 and 22.


Identification of prior art discussed: Acker (US 6,332,089) and Foley (US 6,226,548).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussion of proposed amendments to independent claims 1 and 22. It was determined by the Examiner that the proposed amendments did not overcome the prior art of record. It was suggested to claim more specifically the uses of the navigational system (e.g. for use with the vertebrae). Upon the Office receiving formally submitted amendments, an updated search is required before allowability can be determined.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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